**DECLARATION FOR NON-PROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below at 201 et seq. beneath my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor if only one name is listed at 201 below, or an original, first and joint inventor if plural names are listed at 201 et seq. below, of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

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FROM LIQUID CONCENTRATES**

and for which a patent application was filed in the United States on December 5, 2003 as Application No. 10/727,532.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

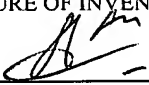
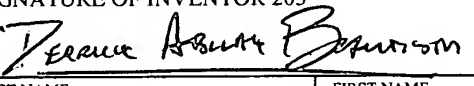
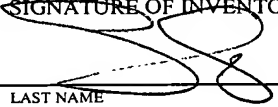
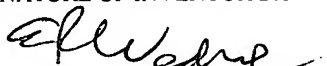
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information known to me which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

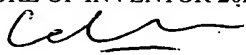
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In re Application of: Alexander A. SHER *et al.*

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Examiner:

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DISPENSING  
HOT AND COLD BEVERAGES FROM  
LIQUID CONCENTRATES

Attorney Docket No.: 88265-7417

**POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE  
AND EXCLUSION OF INVENTOR(S) UNDER 37 C.F.R. 3.71**

**Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The undersigned assignee of the entire interest in the above-identified subject application hereby appoints Allan A. Fanucci (Reg. No. 30,256) and Daniel J. Hulseberg (Reg. No. 36,554) of WINSTON & STRAWN LLP (Customer No. 28765) to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

Please direct all correspondence for this application to Customer No. 28765 to the attention of Allan A. Fanucci (telephone 212-294-3311, facsimile 212-294-4700).

An assignment of the entire interest in the above-identified subject application is submitted herewith for recording and a copy is attached.

The undersigned has reviewed this assignment and, to the best of her knowledge, title is in the assignee seeking to take action in this application and that she is empowered to act on its behalf.

ASSIGNEE: NESTEC S.A.

Signature:

Date of Signature:

3rd December 2003

Typed Name:

Paula Nelson

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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, each of

**Alexander A. SHER**, a citizen of Russia residing at 5005 Hancock Drive,  
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**Carla D. NUCHI**, a citizen of Argentina residing at Lope De Vega 52,  
3a planta 1, 08005 Barcelona, Spain,

**Derrick Abilay BAUTISTA**, a citizen of Canada residing at 3 Penny Lane,  
New Fairfield, Connecticut 06812,

**Simon LIVINGS**, a citizen of the United Kingdom residing at 30 Wood Creek  
Road, New Milford, Connecticut 06776, and

**Elain R. WEDRAL**, a citizen of the United States residing at 8 Chestnut Hill  
Road, Sherman, Connecticut 06784,

ASSIGNOR, is an inventor of the invention in **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
DISPENSING HOT AND COLD BEVERAGES FROM LIQUID CONCENTRATES**,  
for which an application for a Patent of the United States, identified by Winston & Strawn  
Docket No. 88265-7417:

- ☐ is executed on even date herewith
- ☒ was filed on December 5, 2003 as Application No. 10/727,532

WHEREAS, **NESTEC S.A.**, a Swiss corporate body having a place of business at  
Avenue Nestlé 55, 1800 Vevey, Switzerland, ASSIGNEE, is desirous of obtaining each  
inventor's entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention and the said  
application.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to each  
inventor in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is  
hereby acknowledged, each ASSIGNOR has sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by  
these presents does hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, its  
successors, legal representatives and assigns, his or her entire right, title and interest in, to and  
under the said invention, and the said United States application and all divisions, renewals and  
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And each ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents or other evidence or forms of industrial property protection on applications as aforesaid, to issue the same to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument;

And each ASSIGNOR hereby covenants and agrees that he or she has the full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that he or she has not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith;

And each ASSIGNOR hereby further covenants and agrees that he or she will communicate to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to him or her respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing, reissue and foreign applications, make all rightful oaths, and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEE or, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in all countries;

And each ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes the ASSIGNEE's patent attorney to complete this form by the addition of the application number, application filing date, and attorney docket number, if necessary.

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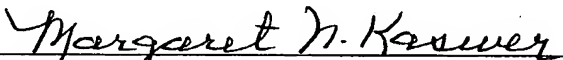
December 4, 2003  
Date

  
Alexander A. SHER

STATE OF Connecticut )  
COUNTY OF Litchfield )

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2003, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared **Alexander A. SHER**, to me known and known to me to be the person of that name, who signed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged the same to be his/her free act and deed.

**MARGARET N. KASWER**  
**NOTARY PUBLIC**  
**MY COMMISSION EXPIRES DEC. 31, 2004**  
My Commission Expires

  
Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Carla D. NUCHI**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ )  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2003, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared **Carla D. NUCCHI**, to me known and known to me to be the person of that name, who signed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged the same to be his/her free act and deed.

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Notary Public

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In witness whereof, each inventor has affixed his or her signature.

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Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Alexander A. SHER**

STATE OF )

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COUNTY OF )

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On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2003, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared **Alexander A. SHER**, to me known and known to me to be the person of that name, who signed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged the same to be his/her free act and deed.

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DECEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2003  
Date

  
**Carla NUCHI**

STATE OF )

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COUNTY OF )

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On this 12<sup>TH</sup> day of December, 2003, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared **Carla NUCHI**, to me known and known to me to be the person of that name, who signed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged the same to be his/her free act and deed.

  
Witness



Dec. 4, 2003  
Date

Derrick Abilay Bautista  
Derrick Abilay BAUTISTA

STATE OF Connecticut )  
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My Commission Expires

Margaret N. Kaswer  
Notary Public

12/4/03  
Date

Simon Livings  
Simon LIVINGS

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COUNTY OF Litchfield )

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2003, before me, a  
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Margaret N. Kaswer  
Notary Public

Dec. 4, 2003  
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Elaine R. Wedral  
Elaine R. WEDRAL

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COUNTY OF Litchfield

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2003, before me, a  
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